

Mid-Month Update

CMS Final Rule on Medicaid HCBS

Update Items – July 16, 2014		
No.	Topic	Highlights
1.	Project Management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Internal DHHS Project management team meeting to establish next steps for next phase of this project (Master Transition Plan)
2.	Waiver Renewal Group	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Incorporating the Person-centered planning guidance and information into the waiver renewals Working on the Transition Plan for the waiver renewals Legal has suggested that for the Service Plans and HIPAA release that we use our existing form
3.	PRIME updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This program is to design coordinated care efforts for individuals eligible for both Medicare & Medicaid <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Prime Team met last Friday, 7/11, and finalized the Community Choices Waiver amendment for Prime Phase II. Will meet 7/16 to start on HIV/AIDS and Vent Waiver Amendments. All amendments will be submitted after the Jan 2015 submission of the Master Transition Plan.
4.	Facilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Group met on 7/14/14 Group working through a draft Residential Assessment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Has set August 15th as the tentative date to have an assessment completed. Group working on drafting a separate Day Facilities Assessment. The assessments will be part of a plan that includes a self-assessment, site visits, and remediation to bring about compliance with the Final Rule. Next meeting: 7/28/14, 10 a.m.
5.	Communications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Group met 7/8/14 Reviewed content for print material Working on submission for Medicaid Member (beneficiary) newsletter that will go out in September Working on website content Kelly met with Family Connections to start planning process for 16 public meetings throughout the state on HCBS Rule <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4 meetings: “official” public meetings for ID/RD and PDD Waiver renewal along with time for HCBS Rule (August) 8 meetings: general information sessions on HCBS Rule, Transition plan (September – November) 4 meetings: “Official” public meetings for Master HCBS

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		<p>Transition Plan (November – December)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Next meeting: 7/22/14, 3 p.m.
6.	1915 (i) Group	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AnnMarie and Jennifer are working on the membership of this group and hope to meet in July.
7.	General Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kelly received CMS feedback on the Draft Transition plan and other helpful information: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ We overplanned our Transition plan draft! Just need to focus on settings requirements and the public input. But we definitely need to submit our Plan (not “plan of a plan”) and with the most detail we have. ○ We were advised that two assessments (one for residential settings and one for day settings) was logical and to proceed with that ○ We were advised that Georgia and Iowa had good models to look at (those Transition Plans are attached with the email) ○ They offered their assistance on reviewing drafts of our assessments and Transition plans – we will take them up on that. ○ They did not provide a timeline for the Day Facilities settings guidance, but emphasized that the guidance will definitely <i>not</i> deviate or differ from the requirements stated in the regulations. • Kelly got guidance to reach out to Family Connections and Federation of Families to get beneficiary participation on this workgroup. • Sent out last week – attached in the email is the guidance regarding Person-Centered Planning and the link to the website: http://www.acl.gov/NewsRoom/blog/2014/2014_07_09.asp

Next Meeting: Thursday, August 7, 2014, 10 a.m.. @ SCDHHS, Conference Room J11

Future Meetings:

Thursdays, 10 – 11:30 a.m. @ SCDHHS, Conference Room J11

September 4

October 2

November 6

December 4